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TO AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS IMMEDIATE  
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C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 179547

FOR CHARGE

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PORG, UNGS, XF, MOPS

SUBJECT: MIDDLE EAST VISIT OF AMBASSADOR LEONARD AND  
NATHANIEL HOWELL

REF: DAMASCUS 4037 (NOTAL)

1. WE BELIEVE THAT SUBJECT OF LEBANON, INCLUDING SUCH  
MATTERS AS RENEWAL OF UNIFIL MANDATE IN SEPTEMBER, WILL  
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FORM NATURAL TOPIC OF MUTUAL INTEREST FOR AMBASSADOR  
LEONARD'S DISCUSSIONS WITH SYRIAN OFFICIALS. DISCUSSIONS  
WILL BE CONDUCTED WITHIN CONTEXT OF CONTINUING BILATERAL  
DIALOG AND AMB. LEONARD WILL WISH TO HAVE BENEFIT OF YOUR  
ADVICE PRIOR TO THESE TALKS. YOU SHOULD LEAVE NO DOUBT,  
IF QUESTION ARISES, THAT LEONARD IS USG OFFICIAL WHOSE  
DUTIES AT UN NECESSITATE CONCERN WITH A RANGE OF ISSUES OF

MUTUAL INTEREST WHICH HE WILL BE DISCUSSING WITH SYRIAN  
AS WELL AS OTHER GOVERNMENTS.

2. LEONARD WILL NOT RPT NOT PROPOSE TO RAISE BILATERAL  
ISSUES BEYOND RANGE SUGGESTED STATE 157035 RELATING TO PRE-  
UNGA CONSULTATIONS, WHICH INCLUDES MIDDLE EAST ISSUES, SUCH  
AS LEBANON. YOU SHOULD NOTE, HOWEVER, TO YOUR SYRIAN  
INTERLOCUTORS THAT HOWELL, WHO IS DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF OFFICE  
RESPONSIBLE FOR US RELATIONS WITH SYRIA, WILL BE PARTICI-  
PATING WITH AMB. LEONARD. CHRISTOPHER

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